

NEW FRENCH STRIKE CALLS ALARM PARIS

'Bluff by Federation,' Officials Say, but Uneasy Feeling Prevails.

POSTAL MEN MAY QUIT

Summon Meeting To-day to Uphold Action of Workers Now Out.

PARIS, May 8.—The labor situation in France, and especially in Paris, rapidly is approaching a crisis. This belief became current in Paris after the announcement of the General Federation of Labor that it had requested all workers in the Paris subways and tramways to join the strike movement, beginning Monday morning. Late this evening the federation issued another order calling on workers in the metal and building trades and all those engaged in merchandise transport to strike Monday. But the federation promises that sufficient workers will be permitted to continue their labors to insure the feeding of Paris.

Official circles express the opinion that these calls "are a last bluff of the federation, which is beginning to feel that the movement is irretrievably lost." Communiqués issued by the federation, on the other hand, express confidence in the ultimate success of the movement and threaten to call out all

the other branches of labor should the strike calls issued to-day fail to bring the desired result.

The Government caused the arrest of five more extremist leaders, to-day, charging them with inciting the military to disobedience.

The Federation of Postal Employees has appealed to all employees in Paris to gather at a general meeting to-morrow for the purpose of discussing means for upholding the workers now striking. Although the appeal does not mention striking, there is an intimation prevalent that such action is behind the call for the meeting.

The statement of the labor federation points out that the attitude of the Government in refusing to meet the workers necessitates further and more drastic action, although it expresses that the course must be taken at this time.

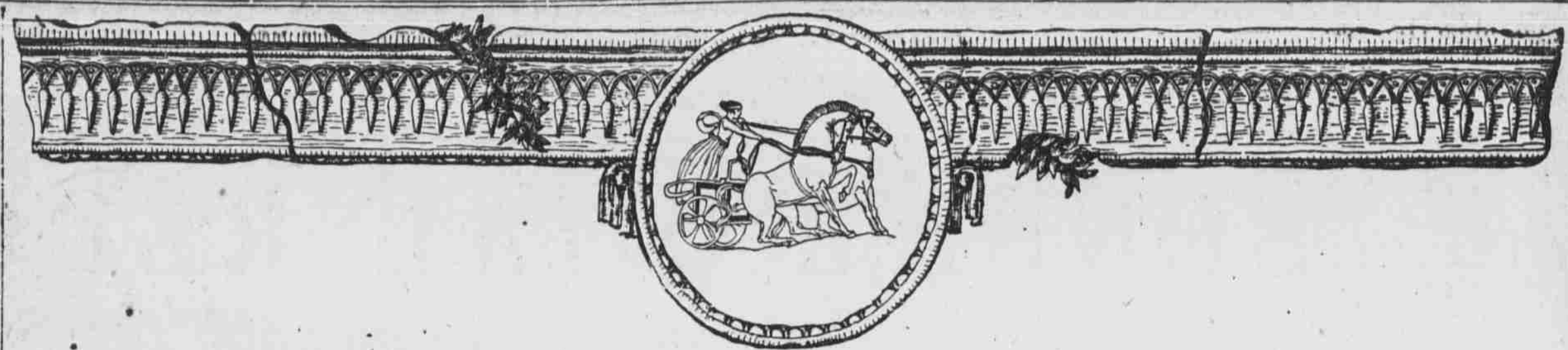
There is considerable uneasiness over the turn of the situation and fears are expressed that should the means of transportation in Paris be tied up Monday clashes and riots may result. Measures to keep order in the city are already being taken by the authorities.

The Railroadmen's Federation, which precipitated the conflict a week ago, has been having less success with its strike than the organizations which later came out in sympathy with the railroadmen, the tie-up in the mines and ports and in the metal industry being more complete than that of the railways.

Dublin Castle Detective Shot.

DUBLIN, May 8.—A sergeant in the detective service named Revell was shot and seriously wounded this morning on Phiborough road, a bus thoroughfare, while on his way to report for duty at Dublin Castle.

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